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This document presents information for conducting a genealogical search at the Library of Michigan. Included are descriptions of genealogy and local history resources at the Library of Michigan; a 10-step process on conducting family research; bibliographies on how to conduct genealogical research, guides to organizing genealogical data, and books in the Abrams Foundation Historical Collection; a descriptive list of primary and secondary source materials; directions on how to connect to the Library of Michigan's ANSWER online catalog from a home computer; MichNet access numbers; pedigree and family group charts; additional rules; and a map for locating the Library of Michigan. (AEF)

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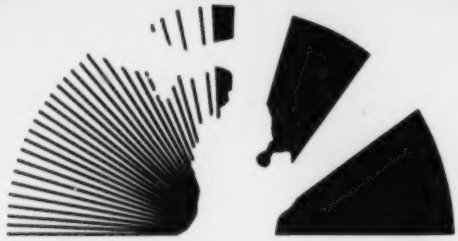

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Genealogy and Local History Resources at the Library of Michigan

Notes to the Researcher

The Library of Michigan's Abrams Foundation Historical Collection of genealogy materials provides varied resources for researchers to explore their family history.

The collection, is shelved in open stacks on the second floor of the Library. The Library of Michigan primarily acquires genealogical materials for states east of the Mississippi River. This includes the Great Lakes, New England, Mid-Atlantic, Southern states and the Canadian provinces of Ontario and Quebec.

Researchers using the collection should come prepared to ask for specific information. While staff members cannot provide extensive research, they will be pleased to assist in the use of the collection.

Additional Information

The Abrams Foundation Historical Collection of genealogy material is enhanced by other significant collections within the Library of Michigan. Resources housed in the Michigan Collection, Reference Collection, Michigan Documents, U.S. Documents, Law Library and Rare Book Room may provide additional genealogical information.

Researchers interested in using the Rare Book Collection should schedule an appointment before their visit to the Library of Michigan. Appointments can be made by calling (517) 373-1300.

Policies

Circulation:

Because of inhouse user demand and the fragile condition of many genealogy and Michigan materials, most of the collection is available for reference use only at the Library of Michigan. However, most materials can be accessed directly by patrons.

Correspondence:

Due to the length of time needed for genealogical research, the staff of the library of Michigan does not provide research services.

The Library maintains a list of certified genealogists and genealogy societies who have indicated their willingness to conduct research for a fee.

Microform readers:

The Library of Michigan maintains over 40 microform readers and reader printers. A one hour time limit for searching may be necessary during times of heavy use.

Copy Cards:

For patron convenience the Library of Michigan uses copy cards instead of currency for photocopying. Debit cards eliminate the need for change. Card dispensers are located on the second floor.

Photocopying:

Materials in good condition may be photocopied within the limits of current copyright laws.

Printing costs vary with the format being duplicated:

- •photocopies from print .10
- •photocopies from microform .25

Ask a reference librarian for assistance if you have questions concerning the condition of materials you wish to photocopy.

Shelving:

Please do not reshelve materials. Place them on the holding carts in the Genealogy area and staff will reshelve the materials.

Catalog Information

ANSWER, the Library of Michigan's online catalog, may be searched by Title, Author, Subject, Keyword or Call Number. ANSWER may be accessed at computers located throughout the library, via modem or on the Internet.

Resources

UMI Genealogy and Local History Collection

The Library of Michigan is the first location in the state to make this entire microfiche collection available. It includes genealogies, genealogical serials, primary sources and local histories. The UMI series consists of over 17,000 genealogy and local history titles.

CD-ROM Network

The Library of Michigan maintains a collection of over 300 CD-ROMs on a wide range of subjects. Genealogy titles on the Library's networked online system include: PhoneDisc, marriage records, social security death records and census information.

Basic Reference Guides

The collection includes many how-to manuals and guide books for doing family history research.

Cemeteries

The Library of Michigan published the Michigan Cemetery Atlas (1991) and the Michigan Cemetery Source Book (1993) which contain the location of over 3,800 Michigan burial sites.

Census Records

Federal population census records are available for Michigan and states east of the Mississippi River through 1920. The Ontario census is available for 1842-1901.

The Library purchases available printed indexes to the microfilm censuses in the collection and collects the Soundex Indexes for 1880, 1900, 1910, and 1920 for Michigan and many other states. Some Michigan state census schedules, mortality schedules for 1850-1880, and Civil War Union veterans and widows census of 1890 are also available.

City Directories

The printed Michigan city directories are located on the second floor. The Library also has directories for major U.S. cities prior to 1860 on microfiche, and 1860-1935 on microfilm.

County Histories

Many Michigan and out-of-state county and local histories are in the collection. The Library has the microfilm edition of County Histories of the Old Northwest covering the states of Michigan, Ohio, Illinois, Indiana and Wisconsin. Microfilms of county histories and atlases for New York and Pennsylvania are also available.

Family Histories

The collection contains thousands of individual and collective family genealogies. Published family histories are located in the Library of Congress call number classification CS 71. Nearly 7,000 genealogies on microfiche complement this collection.

Genealogy Update

Genealogy Updates are periodic bulletins published by the Library of Michigan to highlight various subject areas within the collection.

Land Records

In addition to plat maps, the Library has the first purchase of Michigan land from federal and state sales on microfilm, arranged by county, town and range. Many of these have been transcribed and indexed.

Maps and Atlases

The Library acquires Michigan maps and atlases, including Michigan plat maps and the Michigan Sanborn Fire Insurance maps. Selected maps and atlases for other states and Ontario are included as well.

Internet

Public workstations are available for researchers to search genealogy sources on the Internet. Sign up sheets are located at the 2nd floor Circulation desk.

Military Records

The Library has indexes to many state, colonial and other military records from every period of American history up to World War I.

Newspapers

The Library has 80,000 reels of Michigan newspapers on microfilm. All newspaper titles are listed on ANSWER, the Library of Michigan's online catalog.

Periodicals and Newsletters

The Library subscribes to 150 genealogical and historical periodicals. The periodicals are shelved alphabetically at the end of the genealogy stacks on the second floor.

Vital Records

The Library acquires Michigan transcribed birth, death, marriage, tax, probate, land, town, church and cemetery records, as well as those of other states.

Indexes to Michigan vital records are on microfilm in the Microform Room:

Births	1867-1915
Deaths	1867-1914
Divorces	1897-1969
Marriages	1867-1921, 1950-1969

This collection includes some actual death, marriage and divorce records:

Deaths	1867-1897
Divorces	1897-1922
Marriages	1867-1925

Special Collections

Family History Library - Salt Lake City

Records at the Library include: the Family History Catalog, the International Genealogical Index (IGI), The Family Registry, Research Outline Papers and papers from major genealogical record sources.

Manuscript Collection

The Library has 400 boxes of unpublished genealogical materials. Manuscript materials are housed in the Rare Book Room and access may be limited.

Michigan Project Files

The Library has microfiche indexes to the Michigan Centennial and Sesquicentennial Project Files. The Indexes include 18,000 applications from persons proving relationship to ancestors living in Michigan prior to 1838 and 1877. Additionally, the Surname Index lists 100,000 surnames submitted by 1,000 Michigan genealogical society members.

Michigan Pioneer Records

Indexed volumes of 3,200 data sheets submitted by researchers listing persons living in Michigan prior to 1880 are in bound volumes in LC class Mich F 565 .M532 and the index Microfiche F 565 .M533 1990.

How to Research Your Family at the Library of Michigan

The Library of Michigan houses an array of resources for those with Michigan ancestors.

To begin researching your family: start with yourself and work backward, generation by generation. Since everyone has 1,024 direct ancestors ten generations back, the size of the task is enormous and may take years.

Step 1 - Get a pedigree chart.

The first step in researching your family is to ask for a five-generation pedigree chart and a family group sheet at the Genealogy Desk on the second floor of the Library of Michigan. The pedigree chart is like a map showing you what you know and what you need to find out.

Step 2 - Read, Read, Read!

Select a "how-to" book on genealogy. Be sure to read a "how-to" book on United States research; you can explore Canadian and overseas ancestors at a later time.

Step 3 - Don't start until you have done your homework.

Take the pedigree chart and read a "how-to" book. See how much of the five-generation chart you can fill in by using home sources. The best home source is talking to your parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, cousins, and others in your family.

Other home sources include:

- journals-diaries
- letters
- baby books
- scrapbooks
- newspaper clippings
- announcements
- school records
- family Bibles
- medical records
- photo albums
- certificates
- church records
- memorial cards
- family traditions
- autograph books
- other family books

Step 4 - Oral history.

Remember to ask questions about: names, dates, relationships, localities, church memberships, and military service. If possible, make a tape recording of the interview, first acquiring written permission to tape and use the information recorded.

Step 5 - Plan a search strategy.

From your pedigree chart, select an unknown item of information you believe could be found in our library, and ask to see the *Guide to the Michigan Genealogical and Historical Collections at the Library of Michigan and State Archives of Michigan, F565 .M53 1996* and the brochure *Genealogy and Local History Collection*. These two sources will help you expand your search into the genealogy and local history book collection.

Step 6 - Census search.

Search the U.S. and Canadian census records. Ask at the Genealogy Desk for information on filmed censuses and instructions on how to use the soundex code. The Library has the selected federal census records for states east of the Mississippi River from 1790-1920.

Step 7 - Search for vital records.

Begin collecting copies of vital record certificates (birth, death, marriage). You will need to use the *Handy book for genealogists*, CS 16 .E85 1991, International Vital Records Handbook, HA 38 .A1 K42 1994, and *County Courthouse book, KF8700 .A19 B46 1995*. The Library has vital record transcriptions and indexes to Michigan vital records, 1867-1969 (see page 3 for a detailed list).

Step 8 - Additional sources.

Ask to see Michigan history magazines, genealogical periodicals, city directories, and the *Michigan Surname Index*, F 565 .M544z.

Step 9 - Getting the ANSWER.

Using the **ANSWER** online catalog. Answer allows you to search by keyword, subject, title, author, or call number.

Step 10 - Don't hesitate to ask Library of Michigan staff for assistance.

How to Do Genealogical Research:
Basic Books for Beginners in Genealogy
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Ancestry's Red Book: American State, County and Town Sources. Salt Lake City, UT: Ancestry Publ., 1992. **Gene CS 49 .A55 1991**

Anderson, Alloa Caviness. **Genealogical Research in Libraries**. 3rd ed. Traverse City, MI: Loraine Wallace, 1992. **Gene CS16 .A57 1992**

Anderson, Alloa. **Genealogy in Michigan: What, When, Where.** Alloa Anderson and Polly Bender, 1977. **Gene CS16 .A54z**

Bremer, Ronald A. **Compendium of Historical Sources: The How and Where of American Genealogy**. Salt Lake City, UT: Progenitor Genealogical Society, 1994. **Gene CS 49 .B74 1994**

Carlberg, Nancy Ellen. **Beginning Census Research**. Anaheim, CA: Carlberg Press, 1992. **Gene CS47 .C33 1992**

Crandall, Ralph J. **Shaking Your Family Tree: A Basic Guide to Tracing Your Family's Genealogy.** Dublin, NH: Yankee Pub., 1986. **Gene CS16 .C73 1986**

Croom, Emily Anne. **The Genealogist's Companion and Sourcebook.** Cincinnati, OH: Betterway Books, 1994. **Gene CS 47 .C75 1994**

Doane, Gilbert Harry. **Searching for Your Ancestors: The How and Why of Genealogy**. 6th ed. Minneapolis: University of Minnesota Press, 1992. **Gene CS16 .D6 1992**

Filby , P. William. **American and British Genealogy and Heraldry: A Selected List of Books.** 3rd ed. Boston: New England Historic Genealogical Society, 1983. **Gene Z5311 .F55 1983**

Genealogical Research: Methods and Sources. Washington, D.C. American Society of Genealogists... 1980- **Gene CS16 .G43 v.1 1980, v.2 1983**

Greenwood, Val D. **The Researcher's Guide to American Genealogy.** 2nd ed. Baltimore, MD: Genealogical Pub. Co., 1990. **Gene CS47 .G73 1990**

Linder, Bill R. **How to Trace Your Family History.** New York: Everest House, 1978. **Gene CS16 .L56z**

McPhail, David R. **A Strategy for United States Genealogical Research Using the Family History Library in Salt Lake City.** Bountiful, UT: Thomsen's Genealogical Center, 1995. **Gene CS 16 .M64 1995**

Nichols, Elizabeth L. **The Genesis of Your Genealogy: Step-By-Step Instruction for the Beginner in Family History**. 3rd ed. Salt Lake City, UT: Family History Educators, 1992. **Gene CS 16 .N54 1992**

Stevenson, Noel C. **Search and Research.** Salt Lake City: Deseret Book Co., 1977. **Gene CS47 .S73z 1977**

Stratton, Eugene Aubrey. **Applied Genealogy**. Ancestry Pub., 1988. **Gene CS16 .S854 1988**

Szucs, Loretto Dennis. **The Source: A Guidebook of American Genealogy**. Salt Lake City, UT: Ancestry, 1997.
Gene CS 49 .S65 1997

Tepper, Michael. **American Passenger Arrival Records: A Guide to the Records of Immigrants Arriving at American Ports by Sail and Steam**. Baltimore: Genealogical Pub. Co., 1993.
Gene CS 49 .T46 1993

The Handy Book for Genealogists: United States of America. 8th ed. Logan UT: Everton Publishers, 1991.
Gene CS 16 .E85 1991

Underwood, Donald E. **Searching for Lost Ancestors: A Guide to Genealogical Research**. Santa Barbara, CA:
Fithian Press, 1993.
Gene CS 16 .U47 1993

United States National Archives and Records Administration. **Guide to Genealogical Research in the National Archives**. Washington, DC: National Archives and Records Service, 1985.
Gene Z5313.U5 U54 1985

Westin, Jeane Eddy. **Finding Your Roots: How Every American Can Trace His Ancestors, at Home and Abroad**. Los Angeles: J.P. Tarcher; New York: distributed
by St. Martin's Press, 1977.
Gene CS16 .W46 1977

SPECIAL TOPICS

African American Genealogical Sourcebook. New York: Gale Research, 1995.
Gene E 185.96 .A444 1995

Askin, Jayne. **Search: A Handbook for Adoptees and Birthparents**. 2nd ed. Phoenix, AZ: Oryx Press, 1992.
Gene HV 881 .A8 1992

Baxter, Angus. **In Search of Your Canadian Roots**. Baltimore: Genealogical Pub. Co., 1994.
Gene CS 82 .B388 1994

Blockson, Charles L. **Black Genealogy**. Englewood Cliffs, NJ: Prentice-Hall, 1977.
Gene CS21 .B55

Carpenter, Cecelia Svinth. **How to Research American Indian Blood Lines: A Manual on Indian Genealogical Research**. South Prairie, WA: Meico Associates, 1984.
Gene E98.G44 C37z 1984

Ethic Genealogy: A Research Guide. Westport, CT: Greenwood Press, 1983.
Gene CS49 .E83 1983

Klunder, Virgil L. **Lifeline: The Action Guide to Adoption Search**. Cape Coral, FL: Caradium, 1991.
Gene HV 875.55 .K58 1991

Konrad, J. **Polish Family Research**. Munroe Falls, OH: Summit Publications, 1992.
Gene CS 49 .K67 1992

Research Guide to German-American Genealogy. St. Paul, MN: Minnesota Genealogical Society, 1991.
Gene E184.G3 R46 1991

Rottenberg, Dan. **Finding Our Fathers: A Guidebook to Jewish Genealogy**. New York: Random House, 1977.
Gene CS21 .R58

Zubatsky, David S. **Jewish Genealogy: A Sourcebook of Family Histories and Genealogies**. New York: Garland Pub., 1984.
Gene CS31 .Z79z 1984

Guides to Organizing Genealogical Data

Genealogy Update

This bibliography is designed to identify books which contain forms and research methodologies which may be of assistance in genealogical research.

Among the examples included are: sample letters, order forms for vital statistics, United States census formats, a variety of pedigree charts, and methods for organizing genealogical data.

Bell, Frances Maxine Simmons. ***Researching Alternative Spellings of Names and Places*** — Eugene, Ore.: Bell, c1977.
Gene CS24 .B45z

Bremer, Ronald A. ***Compendium of Historical Sources: The How and Where of American Genealogy*** — Salt Lake City, Utah: Butterfly Pub., c1994.
Gene CS49 .B74 1983
Housed at Genealogy Desk

Croom, Emily Ann. ***Unpuzzling Your Past: A Basic Guide to Genealogy*** — White Hall, Va.: Betterway Publications, c1989.
Gene CS47 .C76 1989

Eakle, Arlene H. ***Teacher's Aids: Research Notekeeping and Analysis of Evidence*** — Salt Lake City, Utah: Distributed by Family History World, c1989.
Gene CS49 .E2 1989

Kemp, Thomas Jay. ***International Vital Records Handbook*** — Baltimore, MD: Genealogical Pub. Co., c1990.
Gene HA38 .A1 K42 1990
Housed at Genealogy Desk

Kirkham, E. Kay. ***Making the Genealogical Record: An Explanation of the O-Kay System of Recordkeeping*** — Salt Lake City: Deseret Book Co., 1959.
Gene CS24 .K5

Morningstar, Heather. ***How to Enroll in an Indian Tribe.*** Denver, Colorado.: Arrowstar Publishers, c. 1993
Gene E98 .G44 M6 1993

Pehrson, Helga. ***Order*** — Logan, Utah: Everton Publishers, c1973.
Gene CS24 .P33z

Record Forms for the Family Historian — Federation of Family History Societies, c1981.
Gene CS24 .R4 1981

Steed, Barbara I. ***10 Steps to Genealogy: How to Trace Your Family Tree***. c1973.
Gene CS16 .T4 1973

Styx, Sherrie A. ***Curioser and Curioser: Investigative Genealogy:*** <Teacher Guide> — Eugene Or.: Styx Enterprises, c1989
Gene CS21 .S785 1989

Szues, Loretto Dennis. **The Source: A GuideBook of American Genealogy.** Salt Lake City, Utah: Ancestory, 1997.
Gene CS49 .565 1997

Virkus, Frederick Adams. ***The Family Lineage Record Book***. Chicago, Ill. F.A. Virkus & company. 1927
Gene CS24 .V5 1927

Abrams Foundation Historical Collection

Collection "Highlights"

Abajian, James. **Blacks in Selected Newspapers, Censuses and Other Sources:** An Index to Names and Subjects. Boston: G. K. Hall, 1977.
Gene E 185.96 .A2z
Index to primary source material about Blacks.

Alphabetical General Index to Public Library Sets of 85,271 Names of Michigan Soldiers and Sailors Individual Records. Lansing, MI: Wynkoop Hallenbeck Crawford Co., 1915.
Mich Docs ST 2S68
Gene Microfiche UMI PS 302.
Names and data about Michigan soldiers in the Civil War.

American Genealogical-Biographical Index to American Genealogical, Biographical and Local History Materials. Middletown, CT: Godfrey Memorial Library, 1952- .
Gene Z 5313 .U5 A55
Citation listed with name, birth year, state, key title (source) and page. *Key Title Index* is at the beginning of the set.

Andriot, Jay. **Township Atlas of the United States.** McLean: VA: Documents Index, 1991.
Gene G 1201 .F7 A5 1991
Maps and indexes the counties and townships of the United States.

Barbour Collection of Connecticut Vital Records. Salt Lake City, UT: Genealogical Society, 1949.
Microfilm F93 .B356 1949
Indexed Connecticut vital records, by town.

Bentley, Elizabeth Petty. **County Courthouse Book,** 2nd ed. Baltimore: Genealogical Pub. Co., 1995.
Gene KF 8700 A.19 B46 1995
Current addresses of U.S. county courthouses. Includes custody and dates of coverage of vital records.

Biography and Genealogy Master Index: A Consolidated Index to More Than 3,200,000 Biographical Sketches in Over 350 Current and Retrospective Biographical Dictionaries. (CD-ROM). Detroit: Gale Research, Inc. 1993- .
Gene Z 5305 .U5 B572

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints. **IGI.** Salt Lake City, UT: Corporation of the President of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, 1988.
Gene Microfiche CS 25 .C47 1988
Every name index for selected sources obtained for the Family History Library.

Civil War Unit Histories: Regimental Histories and Personal Narratives. Bethesda, MD: University Publications of America, 1990- .
Gene fiche E 470 .C58 1990
Guides to this series are located at the Genealogy Desk.

Daughters of the American Revolution. **DAR Patriot Index.** Washington, 1966,
Gene E255 .D38 1967
Lists Revolutionary War patriots; v. 3 lists spouses.

Daughters of the American Revolution. **Index of the Rolls of Honor (Ancestor's Index) in the Lineage Books of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution (volumes 1-160).** Baltimore: Genealogical Pub. Co., 1972.
Gene E 202.5 .A15 L55 Index
Indexes lineage books by patriot's name only.

Daughters of the American Revolution. **Lineage Book.** Washington, DC: The Society, 1896-1921; (Harrisburg, PA: Harrisburg Pub. Co.).
Gene E 202.5 .A15 L55
Lineages to Revolutionary War patriots of DAR members, submitted prior to 1921.

Dutch Immigrants on U.S. Ship Passenger Lists: An Alphabetical Listing. Kent, OH: Swierenga, 1978.
Gene Microfiche HE601.U5 S95z

Family History Library. Salt Lake City, UT: Corporation of the President of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, 1992.
Gene Microfiche Z5319 .F3 1992
Card catalog of the Family History Library.

Family Registry Index. Salt Lake City, UT: Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, 1984- .
Gene Microfiche CS 2385 .F35z
Lists researchers willing to correspond, by surnames being searched.

Famine Immigrants; Lists of Irish Immigrants Arriving at the Port of New York, 1846-1851. Baltimore: Genealogical Pub. Co., 1983.
Gene E184.I6 F25 1983
List of Irish immigrants arriving at the Port of New York.

Filby, William P. **Passenger and Immigration Lists Index: A Guide to Published Arrival Records of about 500,000 Passengers Who Came to the United States and Canada in the Seventeenth, Eighteenth, and Nineteenth Centuries.** Detroit, MI: Gale Research Co., 1981.
Gene CS 68 .P363
Citation lists name, age, date of arrival, source number, page within the source. Front of index volume lists source numbers.

French Canadians, 1600-1900: An Alphabetized Directory of the People, Places and Vital Dates. Ist ed. Toronto, Canada: Genealogical Research Library, 1992.
Gene CS 81 .F7 1992
Gateway index to ten generations of ancestors (468,000) with sources of information.

Genealogical and Local History Books in Print. Springfield, VA: N. Schreiner-Yantis, 1976.
Gene Z 5313 .U5 G45
Books in print by place or family name.

Genealogist's Address Book. Baltimore, MD: Genealogical Pub. Co., 1991.
Ref CS 44 .G456
Based on data received in response to questionnaires. Lists national addresses, state addresses, ethnic and religious organizations and special resources.

Genealogy & Local History: A Cumulative Guide (microfiche collection). Ann Arbor, MI: UMI, 1990- .
Gene CS 69 .G45 1990
Microfiche copies of books. Each title in series has its own number.

Genealogy Newspaper Columns, Boston Transcript. Boston, MA: Boston Evening Transcript. 1896-1941.
Gene Microfiche F73.5 .B677z
Query columns from Boston Transcript newspaper. Arranged by date of paper and query number. Indexed in American Genealogical & Biographical Index.

Germans to America: Lists of Passengers Arriving at U.S. ports. Wilmington, DE: Scholarly Resources, 1988.
Gene E 184 .G3 G38
List of German passengers arriving at U.S. ports.

Hale Collection of Connecticut Vital Records. Hartford, CT: filmed by the Genealogical Society Salt Lake City, UT, at the Connecticut State Library, 1949.
Microfilm F93 .H3 1949a
Connecticut vitals from newspapers.

Handy Book for Genealogists: United States of America, 8th ed. Logan, UT: Everton Publishers, 1991.
Gene CS 16 .E85 1991
Lists state and counties, with maps and sources.

Hatcher, Patricia Law. **Abstract of Graves of Revolutionary Patriots.** Dallas, TX: Pioneer Heritage Press, 1987- .
Gene CS63 .H3 1987
58,500 graves of Revolutionary War soldiers, with locations.

Index to War of 1812 Pension Application Files. Washington: National Archives, 1960.
Microfilm E359.4 .I5 1960

Italians to America: Lists of Passengers Arriving at U.S. Ports, 1880-1899. Wilmington, DE: Scholarly Resources, 1992-
Gene E 184 .I8 I844 1992

Kemp, Thomas Jay. **International Vital Records Handbook**, 3rd. ed. Baltimore: Genealogical Pub. Co., 1994.
Gene HA 38 .A1 K42 1994
Contains vital records sources. Forms are reproducible.

Library: A Guide to the LDS Family History Library. Salt Lake City, UT: Ancestry, 1988.
Gene Z675.C5 L4 1988
Guide for using the Family History Library.

Library of Michigan. **Michigan Cemetery Atlas.** Lansing, MI: The Library, 1991.
Gene Oversize G 1411 .E6225 L5
3,800 Michigan burial site maps.

Library of Michigan. **Michigan Cemetery Source Book.** Lansing, MI: The Library of Michigan, 1994.
Gene G 1411 .E6225 L53 1994 L5
Lists cemetery transcripts the Library of Michigan owns.

Lippincott's Gazetteer of the World... Philadelphia: J. B. Lippincott, 1922.
Gene G103. L7 1922
Place name dictionary.

Loomis, Frances. **Michigan Biography Index.** Detroit, MI: Reference Department, Detroit Public Library, 1946-1958.
Gene F 565 .L55z
Indexes a large number of Michigan county and local histories.

Michigan Surname Index. Lansing, MI: Michigan Genealogical Council, 1984-89.
Mich F 565 .M544z
50,000 ancestor surnames, not limited to Michigan, submitted by members of Michigan Genealogical Council societies.

Michigan Vital Record Indexes
Microfilm F 565. I5 1960
Statewide birth, death, marriage, divorce indexes.

Michigan Vital Records Returns
F 565 .I5 1960
Statewide vital records for selected years.

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Michigan Sources of Proof

Primary Sources are defined as contemporary and/or government records made at the time of the event by the parties involved. These records are deemed acceptable sources in proving relationship from one generation to another:

1. Birth Records 2. Marriage Records 3. Death Records	Michigan official records began in 1867. Available from: a) County clerk of the county where event occurred. b) Michigan Department of Public Health, P.O. Box 30035, Lansing, MI 48909. *Usually recorded near the date of each county formation to the present.
4. Census Records	a) ***Territorial Census*** (federal) available 1820 and 1830. b) ***Federal Census*** available 1840, 1850, 1860, 1870, 1880, 1900, 1910 & 1920. *Note: Census indexes are available for 1820, 1830, 1840, 1850, 1860 & 1870 for part of the state. Indexes are located in major Michigan libraries. Soundex indexes available for 1880, 1900, 1910 and 1920.* c) State census were taken in 1834, 1845, 1854, 1864, 1874, 1884, 1894 & 1904. *Note: Only fragments of these remain.*
5. Probate Records	Wills/estates (testate-with will; intestate-without will); Guardianships; Lists of heirs and relationship; Name changes; and sometimes transfer of real estate. Records begin at the formation of the county and are found in the Probate Court where the event occurred.
6. Land Records & Plats	Purchase and sale of property often shows residency and marital relationship. . Available from the county where the land was owned. Records may be maintained by the Register of Deeds.
7. Tax Records	Taxes were paid on property owned on a yearly basis. Records are available from the time of the county's formation. Records may be located in the Register of Deed's and/or Treasurer's office in county where the land was located.
8. Military Records	Records include muster-in and muster-out, pay vouchers, pension papers, and military bounty land warrants (before 1856) for: WWI (1914-1918); Spanish-American War (1898-1899); Civil War (1861-1865); Indian & Other Wars (1816-1898); Mexican War (1845-1849); War of 1812 (1812-1815); Revolutionary War (1775-1783). Records are available from the National Archives & Records Service, 8th & Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC, 20408; or Michigan History Division, 717 W. Allegan, Lansing, MI, 48918. Indexes of Michigan Civil War soldiers are available at most major Michigan libraries.
9. Church Records	Church records often contain birth, death, marriage, and funeral information of their membership.
10. Cemetery Records	Actual records of church, city or township sextons. The Library of Michigan published the ***Michigan Cemetery Atlas*** and the ***Michigan Cemetery Source Book***.
11. Mortuary Records	Actual records of funeral home may include death date, burial date, location of interment, obituaries & miscellany.
12. Burial & Transport Permits	Found in village, city, and township halls or county health departments. Information varies from death date to personal comments.
13. Court Records	Civil, criminal, divorce, and naturalization records begin from formation of the county and may be located in circuit court or superior court where the event occurred.

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Secondary Sources are any sources in print that do not come from a contemporary or government record. These records may not be acceptable as proof.

1. Bible Records	Dated and/or undated. Include a photocopy of the page showing the publisher, date of publication, and the actual pages showing names, dates, and events. Identify current owners of the Bible when known.
2. Obituaries	Dated & identified, when known, name of newspaper & location. Most libraries contain copies of local newspapers. The Library of Michigan has extensive holdings of microfilmed Michigan newspapers, which are available through interlibrary loan to Michigan libraries.
3. Newspaper Clippings	Dated & identified, when known name of newspaper & location. Clippings may include anniversaries, biographical sketches, awards, marriage notices, reminiscences, etc.
4. Family Histories/Genealogies, Published	When submitting this type of material include a copy of the title page, photocopies showing direct ancestral descent and state location of the book. The Library of Michigan has a large statewide collection. Local libraries may have some local genealogies.
5. County Histories/Portrait & Biographical Histories, Published	Almost every county in Michigan has at least one county history with biographical sketches. The Library of Michigan published the **Sourcebook** of Michigan Census county histories and vital records, 1986. Some local libraries will have county histories for the local and surrounding counties.
6. City/County Directories	The Library of Michigan has an extensive statewide collection of Michigan city directories and has out-of-state directories prior to 1860 on microfiche and from 1861-1881 on microfilm.
7. Personal Papers/Manuscripts	Unpublished written data include letters, diaries, journals, reunion records, and manuscripts. The Library of Michigan has 450 boxes of manuscript materials.
8. Tombstone Inscriptions	Photographs or transcriptions of the stones. Locations of Michigan cemeteries are shown in the **Michigan Cemetery Atlas** and companion volume, the **Michigan Cemetery Source Book**, published by the Library of Michigan.
9. Atlas/Landowners	The Library of Michigan has an extensive statewide collection of landowner plat books. Local libraries may have local plat books.

Many of the above sources refer to the Library of Michigan's extensive statewide collection. You are encouraged to visit the libraries of your city, township and county as well as the Library of Michigan. Most libraries provide very limited research by mail.

All genealogical societies welcome members and guests to their meetings. Contact the Library of Michigan for the names of the societies in your area.

The Library of Michigan is located at 717 W. Allegan, P.O. Box 30007, Lansing, MI 48909. Current hours, subject to change, are 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. weekdays, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday and 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday. Closed on official holidays. Telephone 517-373-1300 for more information.

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How to Connect to the Library of Michigan's ANSWER Online Catalog from your computer

System Setup for Dial-in:

Most communications software will allow users to select different settings based on the needs of the remote system you want tosearch. Among the most popular programs are **Crosstalk**, **Smartcom**, **ProComm**, **White Knight** and **Microphone II**. To search ANSWER your software should be set as follows:

Modem Speed: **2400-28800 bits per second (bps)**
Data Bits: **7**
Stop Bits: **1**
Parity: **Even**
X on/X off: **ON**
Duplex: **Full**
Terminal Emulation: **VT100**

To Reach us:

If dialing in through MichNet (using one of the programs listed above):

1. Load in the settings above, then **dial the MichNet node closest to you—see numbers on back side.** (For example, from Battle Creek, dial 963-9975. In Lansing, dial 353-3500).
2. Once connected, you will see a **host:** prompt. Enter the Library of Michigan's telnet address of **libofmich.lib.mi.us**
3. When prompted for authorization enter **guest@mel.lib.mi.us** at the login prompt. For a password, enter **guest**.
4. At the login prompt type **answer** (all letters lower case).
5. When you are finished, enter **<escape>xx** to disconnect from the Library. You will be returned to a MichNet prompt.

If you are unable to connect through Michnet:

1. Use the above modem settings, but connection speeds are 300-2400 bps. Dial **(517) 373-6788 from the Lansing area (or 1-800-669-8779 from other Michigan locations)**.
2. After your modem connects with ours, you likely will hear a beep, buzz, hiss or other machine signal acknowledging a successful connection. **A blank screen** will then appear.
3. Press "**enter**." A **Terminal Selection List** will appear. **Type in the number 5** (VT100).
4. Press "**enter**" again twice. The ANSWER Introductory Screen will give instructions on how to proceed.
5. To make the system more accessible for other users, please sign off and hang up as soon as you finish.

ANSWER has a timeout feature that will automatically disconnect you after 5 minutes of inactivity.

From a Point-to-Point Protocol (PPP) or direct Internet connection:

Software settings may be different from those listed above.

By using telnet:

Telnet to **libofmich.lib.mi.us**.
Login as **answer**.

From the WWW:

Connect to **http://www.libofmich.lib.mi.us**

Borrowing Materials from the Library of Michigan:

State government employees in Michigan may request materials from the Library of Michigan Interlibrary Loan Office at **517-373-8926**. All others should inquire at a local public or academic library, which can obtain materials by following the Statewide Interlibrary Loan Protocol.

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*For help, phone **517-373-5508** (9-5 Mon-Fri)*
or email **adonohue@libofmich.lib.mi.us.**

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MichNet Access Numbers

With modem connection speed information

Adrian	517/264-3426	v.32bis/v.42bis
Albion	517/629-7450	v.3284/v.42bis
Alma	517/466-5322	v.32bis/v.42bis
Alpena	517/356-0704	v.32bis/v.42bis
Ann Arbor	313/998-1300	v.32bis/v.42bis
	313/213-3720	v.34/v.42bis
Battle Creek	616/963-9975	v.32bis/v.42bis
Bay City	517/667-1654	v.34/v.42bis
Big Rapids	616/592-1040	v.34/v.42bis
Birmingham	810/205-1140	v.34/v.42bis
Bridgman	616/465-3590	v.34/v.42bis
Buchanan	616/695-0168	v.34/v.42bis
Charlotte	517/543-1631	v.34/v.42bis
Cheboygan	616/627-2220	v.34/v.42bis
Clare	517/386-4684	v.34/v.42bis
Coldwater	517/279-7694	v.32bis/v.42bis
Dearborn	313/240-4300	v.32bis/v.42bis
Decatur	616/423-6023	v.32bis/v.42bis
Detroit	313/577-DIAL	v.34/v.42/v.42bis
Detroit Zone 1	313/202-1140	v.34/v.42bis
Dowagiac	616/782-4568	v.34/v.42bis
East Lansing	517/353-3500	v.32bis/v.42bis
Escanaba	906/789-0057	v.32bis/v.42bis
Farmington Hills	810/553-DIAL	v.34/v.42bis
Flint	810/762-3311	v.32bis/v.42bis
	810/232-9905	v.32bis/v.42bis
Gaylord	517/732-1596	v.32bis/v.42bis
Grand Rapids	616/224-7020	v.34/v.42bis
Harrisville	517/724-5989	v.34/v.42bis
Hart	616/873-7798	v.34/v.42bis
Holland	616/355-0026	v.34/v.42bis
Houghton	906/487-3444	v.32bis/v.42bis
	906/487-1517	v.34/v.42bis
Howell	517/548-4801	v.34/v.42bis
Iron Mountain	906/774-0846	v.34/v.42bis
Iron River	906/265-3395	v.34/v.42bis
Ironwood	906/932-0636	v.34/v.42bis
Jackson	517/788-6300	v.32bis/v.42bis
Kalamazoo	616/387-2070	v.32bis/v.42bis
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Ludington	616/843-7167	v.34/v.42bis
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Midland	517/839-2629	v.34/v.42bis
Monroe	313/241-1072	v.32bis/v.42bis
Mount Pleasant	517/774-2224	v.34/v.42bis
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Port Huron	810/982-6697	v.34/v.42bis
Roscommon	517/275-5134	v.32bis/v.42bis
Saginaw	517/797-2814	v.32bis/v.42bis
St. Joseph	616/983-1965	v.32bis/v.42bis
Sandusky	810/648-0039	v.34/v.42bis
Sault St. Marie	906/635-0282	v.32bis/v.42bis
Sidney	517/328-3300	v.34/v.42bis
Southfield	810/204-1140	v.34/v.42bis
Sturgis	616/659-0774	v.32bis/v.42bis
Traverse City	616/941-9826	v.32bis/v.42bis
Troy	810/824-1130	v.34/v.42bis
Wayne	313/467-1632	v.32bis/v.42bis
Warren	810/795-9100	v.34/v.42bis

Date

Name

Street Address

City State

Library of Michigan

PEDIGREE CHART

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Family Group Chart

Name _____

Street _____

City _____ State _____ Date _____

Sources of Information _____

HUSBAND'S NAME _____

Born _____ Where _____

Married _____ Where _____

Died _____ Where _____

Where Buried _____

Son of _____ and _____

(Father's Name) *(Mother's Full Maiden Name)*

Other Wives (if any) _____

WIFE'S FULL MAIDEN NAME _____

Born _____ Where _____

Died _____ Where _____

Where Buried _____

Daughter of _____ and _____

(Father's Name) *(Mother's Full Maiden Name)*

Other Husbands (if any) _____

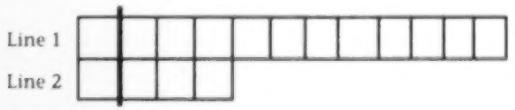
Children and Their Spouses	Born Date, Locality	Marriage Date, Locality	Died Date, Locality	Where Buried

Additional Rules

SOUNDEX CODING GUIDE

The number	*Represents the letters*
1	B P F V
2	C S K G J Q X Z
3	D T
4	L
5	M N
6	R

Disregard the letters A, E, I, O, U, W, Y, and H.



STEP 1

On line 1, write the surname you are coding, placing one letter in each box.

STEP 2

On line 2, write the first letter of the surname in the first box.

STEP 3

On line 1, disregarding the first letter, slash through the remaining letters A, E, I, O U, W, Y, and H.

STEP 4

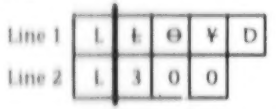
On line 2, write the numbers found on the Soundex Coding Guide for the first three remaining unslashed letters. Add zeros to any empty boxes. Disregard any additional letters.

NAMES WITH PREFIXES

If your surname has a prefix – like Van, Von, De, Di, or Le – you should code it both with and without the prefix because it might be listed under either code. The surname vanDevanter, for example, should be coded in the two ways shown. (Mc and Mac are not considered prefixes.)

NAMES WITH DOUBLE LETTERS

If your surname has any double letters, they should be treated as one letter. Thus, in the surname Lloyd, the second L should be slashed out; in the surname Callard, the second L should be slashed out.



NAMES WITH LETTERS SIDE BY SIDE THAT HAVE THE SAME NUMBER ON THE SOUNDEX CODING GUIDE

Your surname may have different letters that are side by side and have the same number on the Soundex Coding Guide; for example, PF in Pfister (1 is the number for both P and F); CKS in Jackson (2 is the number for C, K, and S). These letters should be treated as one letter. Thus, in the name Pfister, F should be slashed out; in the name Jackson, K and S should be slashed out.

With your ancestor's name correctly coded, you are ready to use the microfilmed Soundex card index, which is organized by state, thereunder by Soundex code number, and thereunder alphabetically by first name or initial. The information you should copy from each is on the reverse side.

1880* 1920 1900

TYPE 1:

SOUNDEX CODE

B350 **OHIO**

Bilton, George H. VOL. 36 E.D. 176
(HEAD OF FAMILY)

SHEET 8 LINE 17

w	Feb.	1853	47	England	A.R.
(COLOR)	(MONTH)	(YEAR)	(AGE)	(BIRTHPLACE)	(CITIZENSHIP)

Cuyahoga Cleveland Twp.
(COUNTY) (N C D)

Cleveland Howard 42
(CITY) (STREET) (HOUSE NUMBER)

(OTHER MEMBERS OF FAMILY)

NAME	RELATION-SHIP	BIRTH MONTH	BIRTH YEAR	AGE	BIRTHPLACE	CITIZEN-SHIP
Bilton, P. Elizabeth	W	Aug.	1864	36	Ohio	
O. Adelaide	D	Nov.	1893	6	Ohio	

Copy the following information:

VOL. E.D.
HEAD OF FAMILY

SHEET LINE

25
COUNTY

1910

Soundex Code

TYPE 2:

SOUNDEX CODE
County
Volume
Enumeration District
Family Number

WISE BIG STONE GAP 101 0136 0668
B210 BISHOP JOHN H W 58 VIRGINIA VA
LIVING ALONE

Copy the following information:

COUNTY NAME VOL. ENUM.DIST. FAMILY

The 1910 census is indexed for only the following states:

Alabama	Kansas	Missouri	South Carolina
Arkansas	Kentucky	North Carolina	Tennessee
California	Louisiana	Ohio	Texas
Florida	Michigan	Oklahoma	Virginia
Georgia	Mississippi	Pennsylvania	West Virginia
Illinois			

* *Only those households with children ten years of age or younger were indexed.*

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From I-496, exit onto Martin Luther King (M-99) and proceed north 4 blocks to Washtenaw Street. Turn right (east) onto Washtenaw to the Library's main entrance. Parking is available at the ticket booth just west of the traffic circle.

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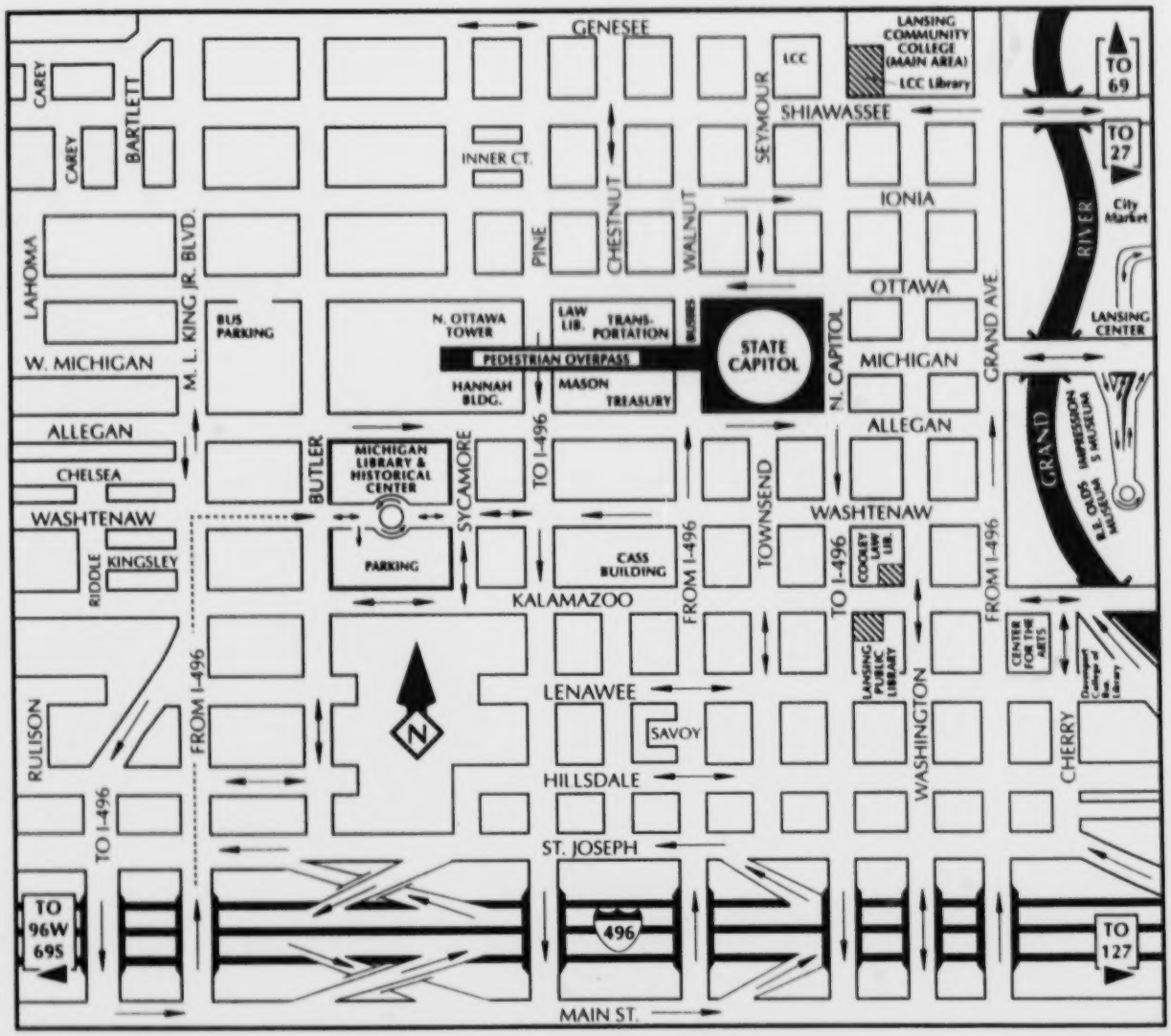

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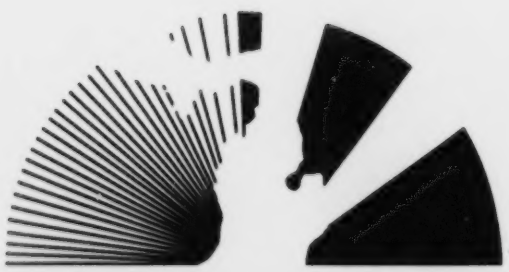

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